

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1                    Claim 1 (currently amended): A receiver controlled method for processing  
2 at least one document, said method comprising the steps of:

3                    (a)    providing at least one processing step to be performed on said at  
4                    least one document;

5                    (b)    providing at least one document classification to be associated with  
6                    an at least one document processing profile;

7                    (c)    providing at least one document subclassification;

8                    (d)\_\_\_creating said at least one document processing profile by  
9                    associating at least one of said at least one processing steps  
10                    therewith; and

11                    (e)\_\_\_(d)\_\_\_associating each at least one document classification with  
12                    one of said at least one of said at least one document processing  
13                    profile.  
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1                    Claim 2 (original): The method of claim 1, wherein said at least one  
2 processing step is a predefined step.  
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1                    Claim 3 (original): The method of claim 1, wherein said at least one  
2 processing step is a step defined by said receiver.  
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1                   Claim 4 (previously presented): The method of claim 1, wherein said at  
2 least one processing step is selected from a group consisting of:

- 3                   (a) storing a printed copy of said document in a document file;
- 4                   (b) storing said document in a memory;
- 5                   (c) storing a copy of said document in a second memory;
- 6                   (d) sending a copy of said document to another recipient;
- 7                   (e) printing said document;
- 8                   (f) sending a confirmation message to the sender of said document;
- 9                   (g) converting an image of said document into a text document;
- 10                  (h) searching a text document for key words;
- 11                  (i) creating index entries for said document;
- 12                  (j) requiring that said document be encrypted;
- 13                  (k) decoding an encrypted document;
- 14                  (l) requiring that said document be sent in a specified format;
- 15                  (m) requiring the use of specified scanner settings;
- 16                  (n) requiring transmission of said document using a specified method;
- 17                  (o) requiring that said document be sent from a specified location;
- 18                  (p) requiring that said document identifier be entered before  
19 transmission of said document;
- 20                  (q) requiring that a password be entered before transmission of said  
21 document;
- 22                  (r) requiring that a public encryption key be entered before  
23 transmission of said document;
- 24                  (s) requiring that a document be retransmitted if a transmission fails;  
25 and
- 26                  (t) requiring that a digital watermark be placed in a document.

1                   Claim 5 (original): The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of  
2 assigning an identifier to each said at least one document classification.

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1 Claim 6 (cancelled):  
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1 Claim 7 (currently amended): The method of ~~claim 6~~ claim 1, further  
2 comprising the step of associating said at least one processing step with each said at  
3 least one document subclassification.  
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1 Claim 8 (currently amended): The method of ~~claim 6~~ claim 1, further  
2 comprising the step of assigning an identifier to each said at least one document  
3 subclassification.  
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1 Claim 9 (original): The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of  
2 associating a document classification identifier representing said at least one document  
3 classification to said document.  
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1 Claim 10 (cancelled):  
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1 Claim 11 (cancelled):  
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1 Claim 12 (cancelled):  
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1 Claim 13 (cancelled):  
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1 Claim 14 (cancelled):  
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1 Claim 15 (cancelled):  
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1 Claim 16 (cancelled):  
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1 Claim 17 (cancelled):  
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1 Claim 18 (cancelled):  
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1 Claim 19 (cancelled):  
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1 Claim 20 (new): A receiver controlled method for processing at least one  
2 document, said method comprising the steps of:

- 3 (a) providing at least one processing step to be performed on said at  
4 least one document;  
5 (b) providing at least one document classification to be associated with  
6 an at least one document processing profile;  
7 (c) creating said at least one document processing profile by  
8 associating at least one of said at least one processing steps  
9 therewith;  
10 (d) associating each at least one document classification with one of  
11 said at least one document processing profile;  
12 (e) assigning a document classification identifier to each said at least  
13 one document classification;  
14 (f) providing access to at least one document classification identifier to  
15 a sender, said sender printing said at least one document  
16 classification identifier on a document to be sent as a sent  
17 document using a digital scanner and transceiver;  
18 (g) receiving said sent document with said at least one document  
19 classification identifier printed thereon;  
20 (h) reading and decoding said at least one document classification  
21 identifier on said sent document; and  
22 (i) processing said sent document according to processing steps  
23 associated with said at least one document classification identifier.

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1           Claim 21 (new): The method of claim 20, wherein said at least one  
2 processing step is a predefined step.

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1           Claim 22 (new): The method of claim 20, wherein said at least one  
2 processing step is a step defined by said receiver.

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1           Claim 23 (new): The method of claim 20, wherein said at least one  
2 processing step is selected from a group consisting of:

- 3           (a) storing a printed copy of said document in a document file;  
4           (b) storing said document in a memory;  
5           (c) storing a copy of said document in a second memory;  
6           (d) sending a copy of said document to another recipient;  
7           (e) printing said document;  
8           (f) sending a confirmation message to the sender of said document;  
9           (g) converting an image of said document into a text document;  
10          (h) searching a text document for key words;  
11          (i) creating index entries for said document;  
12          (j) requiring that said document be encrypted;  
13          (k) decoding an encrypted document;  
14          (l) requiring that said document be sent in a specified format;  
15          (m) requiring the use of specified scanner settings;  
16          (n) requiring transmission of said document using a specified method;  
17          (o) requiring that said document be sent from a specified location;  
18          (p) requiring that said document identifier be entered before  
19 transmission of said document;  
20          (q) requiring that a password be entered before transmission of said  
21 document;

- 22 (r) requiring that a public encryption key be entered before  
23 transmission of said document;  
24 (s) requiring that a document be retransmitted if a transmission fails;  
25 and  
26 (t) requiring that a digital watermark be placed in a document.  
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1 Claim 24 (new): The method of claim 20, wherein said step of processing  
2 said sent document according to processing steps associated with said at least one  
3 document classification identifier further comprises the step of routing said sent  
4 document according to processing steps associated with said at least one document  
5 classification identifier.  
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1 Claim 25 (new): The method of claim 20, wherein said step of processing  
2 said sent document according to processing steps associated with said at least one  
3 document classification identifier further comprises the step of transforming said sent  
4 document according to processing steps associated with said at least one document  
5 classification identifier.  
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1 Claim 26 (new): A receiver controlled method for processing at least one  
2 document, said method comprising the steps of:

- 3 (a) at a receiver:  
4 (i) providing at least one processing step to be performed on  
5 said at least one document;  
6 (ii) providing at least one document classification to be  
7 associated with an at least one document processing profile;  
8 (iii) creating said at least one document processing profile by  
9 associating at least one of said at least one processing steps  
10 therewith;

- (iv) associating each at least one document classification with one of said at least one document processing profile;
- (v) assigning a document classification identifier to each said at least one document classification;
- (vi) providing access to at least one document classification identifier to a sender;
- (b) said sender incorporating said at least one document classification identifier with a document to be sent as a sent document using a digital scanner and transceiver;
- (c) at said receiver:
  - (i) receiving said sent document with said at least one document classification identifier printed thereon;
  - (ii) reading and decoding said at least one document classification identifier on said sent document; and
  - (iii) processing said sent document according to processing steps associated with said at least one document classification identifier.

Claim 27 (new): The method of claim 26, wherein said at least one processing step is a predefined step.

Claim 28 (new): The method of claim 26, wherein said at least one processing step is a step defined by said receiver.

Claim 29 (new): The method of claim 26, wherein said at least one processing step is selected from a group consisting of:

- (a) storing a printed copy of said document in a document file;
- (b) storing said document in a memory;
- (c) storing a copy of said document in a second memory;

- (d) sending a copy of said document to another recipient;
- (e) printing said document;
- (f) sending a confirmation message to the sender of said document;
- (g) converting an image of said document into a text document;
- (h) searching a text document for key words;
- (i) creating index entries for said document;
- (j) requiring that said document be encrypted;
- (k) decoding an encrypted document;
- (l) requiring that said document be sent in a specified format;
- (m) requiring the use of specified scanner settings;
- (n) requiring transmission of said document using a specified method;
- (o) requiring that said document be sent from a specified location;
- (p) requiring that said document identifier be entered before transmission of said document;
- (q) requiring that a password be entered before transmission of said document;
- (r) requiring that a public encryption key be entered before transmission of said document;
- (s) requiring that a document be retransmitted if a transmission fails;  
and
- (t) requiring that a digital watermark be placed in a document.

Claim 30 (new): The method of claim 26, wherein said step of processing said sent document according to processing steps associated with said at least one document classification identifier further comprises the step of routing said sent document according to processing steps associated with said at least one document classification identifier.



1                    Claim 31 (new): The method of claim 26, wherein said step of processing  
2   said sent document according to processing steps associated with said at least one  
3   document classification identifier further comprises the step of transforming said sent  
4   document according to processing steps associated with said at least one document  
5   classification identifier.  
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